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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

Concerning the origin of the case of yellow fever on the ship Fri at Cienfuegos.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D. C., March 12, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th instant having relation to a case of yellow fever in Cienfuegos, Cuba, reported to the Surgeon-General of the Marine-Hospital Service by the assistant surgeon at that place, the patient being a sailor from the steamship *Fri*, which arrived there from Barranquilla on February 26 last. You state that while no report of yellow fever has been received from the consul at Barranquilla, and it is probable that the yellow fever on the *Fri* was contracted in Cartagena, at which port the vessel touched before she arrived at Barranquilla, the Surgeon-General, nevertheless, desires a report in the premises from the consul at Barranquilla.

In reply I have to say that copy of your letter has to-day been sent to the consulate at Barranquilla with instructions to transmit to the Department a report in the premises.

Upon receipt of this report you shall be promptly advised.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Circular letter advocating the establishment of an American Jenner Society.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH OF MAINE,
Augusta, March 11, 1901.

SIR: I have just received the following from Dr. Jacob S. Otto, assistant superintendent, exhibit of sanitation:

"Having further reference to your letter of February 26, I beg to inform you that after all, space had not been assigned to the Anti-vaccination League, and in view of the method that they adopted in their campaign, no space will be allotted to them."

I would add that my suggestion to establish an American Jenner Society has been very heartily and almost unanimously seconded by the writers of the many letters which I have received from the health officers in this country and Canada. The need of this special organization